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MBFR NEGOTIATIONS

FROM US REP MBFR

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PARM, NATO

SUBJECT: MBFR NEGOTIATIONS: 13 NOVEMBER PLENARY

1. SIXTH PLENARY MEETING WAS HELD MORNING OF 13 NOVEMBER UNDER CHAIRMANSHIP OF GDR REP (OESER). POLISH REP (STRULAK) PRESENTED STATEMENT (SEPTTEL), DISCOUNTING ALLIES DISPARITIES ARGUMENTS AS LACKING IN OBJECTIVITY AND IN THIS CONTEXT ELABORATING ON ARTICLES 1 AND 2 OF EASTERN PROPOSED REDUCTION AGREE-MENT. HE EMPHASIZED IMPORTANCE TO EAST AND ESPECIALLY TO POLAND OF REDUCING FOREIGN AND NATIONAL FORCES AND ARMAMENTS TOGETHER. HE SUGGESTED THAT FORCES AND ARMAMENTS OF ALL DIRECT PARTICIPANTS SHOULD BE INCLUDED IN FIRST SYMBOLIC REDUCTION OF 20,000 AND THAT REDUCTIONS SHOULD AFFECT EACH PARTY PROPORTIONATELY IN EACH

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REDUCTION STAGE. STRULAK ALSO EMPHASIZED DESIRE TO INCLUDE NUCLEAR

WEAPONS IN REDUCTIONS OF GROUND AND AIR FORCES AND ARMAMENTS AND STATED THAT PERCENTAGE REDUCTION FORMULA SHOULD BE APPLIED TO ALL MAJOR COMPONENTS OF COMBAT POTENTIAL IN THE AREA.

2. BULGARIAN REP (DICHEV) PRESENTED STATEMENT (SEPTTEL) DRAWING ATTENTION TO CONCEPT IN PREAMBLE OF EASTERN DRAFT AGREEMENT THAT MEASURES TO BE TAKEN IN CENTRAL EUROPE ARE NOT DIRECTED AGAINST ANY OTHER COUNTRIES AND THEIR SECURITY INTERESTS.

3. FRG REP (BEHREND) BEGAN PRESENTATION OF ALLIED GENERAL PROPOSALS WITH STATEMENT (SEPTTEL) ON FOCUS ON GROUND FORCES AND ESTABLISHMENT OF PARITY IN FORM OF COMMON CEILING ON GROUND FORCE MANPOWER IN CENTRAL EUROPE.

4. US REP PRESENTED STATEMENT (SEPTTEL) ADDRESSING ALLIED GENERAL PROPOSAL ON PHASING AND INITIAL FOCUS ON US AND SOVIET GROUND FORCES.

5. WHEN NO OTHER PARTICIPANT ASKED TO SPEAK, CHAIRMAN ADJOURNED MEETING AND ANNOUNCED NEXT PLENARY SESSION WILL BE HELD 1030 THURSDAY, 15 NOVEMBER, UNDER CHAIRMANSHIP OF FRG REP.

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